Students were faced with a few aching muscles and tired bodies on Friday however, we all made it to school for the Walk Safely to School Day. It was wonderful to see Mayor John Martin involved and walk with our students from the TAFE. Over 120 students participated in the event with several parents, friends and community members walking to raise awareness about road safety, healthy lifestyles and lessening the amount of traffic in our streets. A huge thank you to our P&C members who helped out with the breakfast on Friday morning.

Congratulations to two students who were successful in being selected to represent the Hunter PSSA Touch Football team. Jules and Sophie performed extremely well at the trials and will now compete at the NSW carnival in Parramatta later in the term.

Congratulations also to the members of the School Band who competed at the Upper Hunter Eisteddfod last Thursday. The students performed extremely well finishing in a commendable third place out of six schools.

Singleton Public School is getting greener with a new recycle program which started this week. All classes have been allocated paper/cardboard bins so that students can recycle their scrap paper while establishing excellent skills in helping the environment. Each class will allocate students to empty their recycle bin into the larger bin which is located near the church yard. On top of helping our environment, the school will receive a rebate per kilogram for the recycled paper/cardboard. This is an awesome new initiative for our whole school.

Our school teachers are in the midst of writing Semester 1 reports. Student reports will be forwarded home to parents on Wednesday, 24 June. Students from Years K to 6 are assessed on a five point scale in all Key Learning Areas. The grading system is: limited, basic, sound, high and outstanding. A description of each grading will be on the front of the reports. The majority of students will achieve a ‘sound’ grading. A ‘sound’ grading indicates: The student has a sound knowledge and understanding of the main areas of content and has achieved an adequate level of competence in the processes and skills. Teachers will be assessing and reporting on the work that has been programmed for Semester 1.

Tonight is our June P&C meeting starting at 7pm in the school library. All parents and relatives are welcome to attend.

Jonathan Russell
Relieving Principal

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This weeks assembly will be hosted by 3S at the starting time of 12.45pm.

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Singleton Public School community members at Allan Bull Reserve Skate Park for Walk Safely to School Day.
Life Education Van Visit

The ‘Healthy Harold’ Life Education Van will be at Singleton Public School from Friday, 29 May to Tuesday, 9 June 2015. All classes will visit the van in separate sessions over this period. Each grade follows a different program so it is important for children to participate each year. The programs address many of the components and objectives within the NSW PD/Health/PE curriculum. The session times are (please note there have been some changes to class times):-

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Life Education Van Sponsorship

Thank you to Coal & Allied, Singleton Diggers and Club Singleton for supporting our recent visit with Healthy Harold and the Hunter Life Education team.

Life Education supports us in teaching children what they need to know to make smart choices and develop healthy habits that last a lifetime.

Band Eisteddfod

On Thursday, 28 May, our Concert Band competed in the Upper Hunter Eisteddfod at Saint James Primary School in Muswellbrook. They performed two pieces, Stadium Rock and Rolling in the Deep. Their performance was amazing, musically tight and entertaining (the little ones in the audience are always a good judge of that. They either bop around or cover their ears!). We placed third out of the six bands in our section. A very big thank you to Jan Fallding, Melissa Murry, Natalie Moore, Penny Clancy, Angela Johnston and Deb Hamson for being our transportation and cheer squad on the day. We really appreciate your time and support. Well done Singleton Public School Concert Band!

Debating

Last Tuesday, 26 May our Singleton Public School debating teams - ‘Persuaders’ and ‘Convincables’ went to Singleton Heights Public School to have two debates. Both teams had fantastic debates and won one each. The debaters are now looking forward to the next Debating Day in Week 9.

Change of Circumstances

Please advise the school office if there are any change of circumstances within your family, for example, a family where the parents have split up, had a change of address or a change of phone numbers. This keeps the school records up to date in case of an emergency.

If your child is late to school

If your child arrives late to school, you need to come to the office, sign in and receive a late notice slip to be given to your child’s teacher. If you are required to collect your child early, the process is the same - sign out your child in the register, receive a slip from the office and collect your child.
Uniform Shop Roster - Week 8, Term 2 2015
Mon 8/6/15 (8.30 - 9.30 am) PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Fri 12/6/15 (8.30 - 9.30 am) Renee Mouser, Rebecca Tutt
Please contact someone else on the roster if you need to swap your duty.

Canteen Roster - Week 8, Term 2 2015
Mon 8/6/15 PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tues 9/6/15 Rebecca Hobbs, 1 more helper please
Wed 10/6/15 Renee MacDonald, 1 more helper please
Thurs 11/6/15 Tammy Cox, Maree Davidson
Fri 12/6/15 Sally Menere, Helena Carroll, 1 more helper please
Please advise Nicole Gray if you have any changes to your rostered day.

Positive Behaviour for Learning – PBL Post-It
Every fortnight our school focuses upon a new behaviour to reinforce our school values of RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY – QUALITY. All classes engage in small discussions about the various behaviours and students are rewarded for acting in an appropriate manner. This fortnight's focus is:-

“Following teacher directions in the playground, classroom and out in the community”

Information from the DEC
Crossing the road
In the excitement of the festive season remind your child that crossing the road should always be done with care. Important things they should remember are:
Always cross the road at a pedestrian crossing
Always look right, then left and right again before crossing the road to check there are no cars coming.


Credit Card Payment Slip - Singleton Public School
The school can accept credit card payments (Visa and Mastercard only) over the phone or by mail. Please note, this is not an EFTPOS facility. EFTPOS (Savings or Cheque a/c) can only be paid over the counter.
This facility can be used to pay school contributions, excursions, uniforms or P&C levy etc. The minimum payment is $20.00. Building Fund and Library Fund cannot be paid by credit card.

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P&C Report

Well done to all those students who walked to school on Friday, 29 May especially those who walked all the way from the skate park! It was also great to see so many parents as well as Singleton Council staff and mayor John Martin join us for the walk. We were pleased to be able to provide a healthy breakfast snack for the participants, and the students certainly looked like they enjoyed the fruit, banana bread and juice. Thanks to the P&C volunteers and Mrs Gray for organising the breakfast and helping on the morning. Our students must have worked up an appetite walking to school because it was a huge day in the canteen last Friday. I believe a new record for pizzas and chicken nugget orders was set! A huge thank you to the volunteers who helped out in the canteen on such a busy day, both those who were rostered on and those who popped in when they could – Paula Stokes, Kim Carter, Mandy Ward, Robyn Skinner, Sandy Tickell, Donna Croft and Penny Clancy as well as Ben Thompson for minding some of our younger volunteers.

The P&C is also pleased to support the school Concert Band, who performed in the Upper Hunter Eisteddfod at Muswellbrook last Thursday and placed third. Congratulations!

Everyone is welcome to join us at our next meeting on Wednesday 3 June at 7pm in the library. I will give an update on our discussions with Singleton Council about improving pedestrian safety around the school and we will discuss donating funds to the school for new library books. There will also be an update from the day time P&C group about fundraising, potential improvements to the uniform shop, and a new oven for the canteen. Hope to see you there!

James Skinner – P&C President

Athletics Carnival

Please note the price was incorrect on the return slip - the correct price is $3.00.

Our annual Athletics Carnival is being held on Friday, 19 June at Alroy Oval. Both track and field events will take place on the day. Students need to assemble under the COLA at 9.00am with their class teacher (students on late arriving buses will join their classes on arrival). Students will leave school at 9.10am, ready to start at 9.40am sharp. This Athletics Carnival is for all children in Years 2-6.

All children will travel to and from Alroy Oval by bus and the cost will be $3.00. All children must come to school, have their name marked off the roll and then travel on the bus to Alroy Oval at the allotted time. As this carnival is for children in Years 2 to 6, all K-1 children will stay at school and have normal classes. All Year 2 to 6 teachers will be supervising at the carnival.

Administering Prescribed Medication

The school will administer prescribed medication if necessary but only if written instructions as to dosage, etc are received from parents and doctors. A prescribed medication form will also need to be completed which is available from the school office or the school’s website. We recommend that parents, not children, bring in any prescribed medicine for their children. In the interest of student safety, staff will not give medicine, etc unless written instructions are received. There is a written procedure to be followed in the case of regular medications. Staff do not administer paracetamol or other pain or over the counter medication unless a doctor’s directive (ie, a prescription) is provided.

Gastroenteritis

There have been a few reported cases of Gastroenteritis in the school. At Singleton Public School we follow the guidelines from NSW Health. If your child has Gastroenteritis please exclude them from school for 24 hours after the resolution of symptoms.
Year 4 Sydney Excursion
The Year 4 excursion for 2015 is a three day trip to Sydney. The excursion will be from Monday, 24 – Wednesday, 26 August.

Our itinerary includes:

- Sydney Harbour Bridge Pylon Tour
- The Australian Museum
- Walks through the Botanical Gardens, Darling Harbour and a tour of The Rocks
- Sydney Aquarium
- Taronga Zoo

Year 4 will be staying at Namaroo Cabins in Lane Cove National Park. Dietary options will be available for those with allergies and medical conditions.

The approximate cost of the excursion is $310.

Please return the expression of interest notes to school as soon as possible.

Garden Club
Produce will be available for sale after the assembly on Friday, 5 June.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2016 Open
Is it coming time for your child to commence their school education? The school is now able to register names of all siblings and family members for Kindergarten 2016. If you would like to start your child at school next year, please do not hesitate to contact the school office to record your interest.

Full details of information evenings, transition days and enrolment forms will be sent out in Term 3 to all names on the school’s register.

Glass Jars Wanted
If you have any clean glass jars at home with a sealable lid please drop to Miss Moon’s class room.

In the Classroom with KS
KS are pictured displaying great listening skills in art and craft. The students were using oil pastels in art while weaving with wool was being shown in the wet area.
P&C Meeting tonight
7pm in the Library.

New parents all welcome.
Photos from the week that was…

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We are currently learning about the Colossal Squid as part of our Antarctica unit in HSIE. Students were asked to draw their own anatomically correct Colossal Squid, and give them a name. We used the interactive **Build A Squid** website from squid.tepapa.govt.nz to correctly draw each anatomical part of the squid with some scope for creative accessories for our squids.